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Dear Dr. Brown: The delay in reporting to you the result of the Language Examinations at last Annual Meeting is due to the fact that I have been waiting for a report from Dr. Gale on some of the papers which he & Dr. Underwood were to examine. I am sorry to learn from him that 4 of the papers of the 2nd year student have been misplaced and not yet found - so I shall send you the report altho. it will be somewhat deficient. Of those who should have passed their 3rd year examination last year or before I am glad to be able to report that Dr. Shiroishi, Mr. Sharp and Miss Snook have completed their work and passed finally both oral and written examinations and that Mr. Melbon passed his 3rd year written examination. Mr. Melbon's oral examination was unsatisfactory altho. it was an improvement over last year and I still think that he will secure a fair working knowledge of the language and probably satisfy the Committee this coming year. A grade of 60 being required to pass the grade of the

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Dr. Sharrock -	Written (Passed in 1903)	Oral	60
Mr. Sharp	.. 66	..	72 ¹ / ₃
Miss Snook	.. 78	..	68
Mr. Nelson	.. 76 ¹ / ₄	..	46 ² / ₃

Of those who came up regularly for 3rd year examination the grades were as follows

Mr. W. N. Blair -	Written	77 ¹ / ₄	Oral	80
Mrs. ... Blair	..	80 ¹ / ₄	..	81 ² / ₃
Mr. E. H. Miller	..	79 ¹ / ₂	..	75
Mrs. Miller	..	65 ¹ / ₄	..	55
Miss Barrett	..	69	..	50

so that Mr & Mrs. Blair & Mr. Miller have completed their three year work on the Language and Landed from under the Committee while Miss Barrett and Mrs. Miller have yet to take the 3rd year Oral Examination again. Miss Barrett has had special difficulties to overcome and has not had that diversity of work which is favorable to facility in conversation while Mrs. E. H. Miller has suffered from poor health a good part of the year.

Of the 2nd year students all have done well except Mr. Barrett who is having a very difficult time of it in acquiring the language. Mr. Breen, Mr. Adams & Fisher have been asked to give him special assistance and oversight in the hope

that he may make better progress.

The grades are as follows

Mr. Keene	Written	80 ³ / ₄	Oral	80
Miss Samuels	"	78 ² / ₃	"	79 ¹ / ₃
Mr. Smith	"	60	"	86
Mr. Clark	"	Paper mislaid	"	97
Mrs. Brown	"	"	"	82 ¹ / ₃
Mr. Barrett	"	"	"	50

Of the 1st year students I have only good to report, all of them having made very satisfactory progress. The grades are as follows -

Miss Brown	Written	82.3	Oral	88
Mr. Hall	"	94.5	"	94 ² / ₃
Miss Kirkwood	"	86.5	"	84 ² / ₃
Mr. Koons	"	84.5	"	83 ² / ₃
Dr. Null	"	89.1	"	83
Mrs. Null	"	90.7	"	85 ² / ₃
Mrs. Clark	"	84.8	"	not taken

Your reference in your letter to the "partial" report of the Examination Com. in the minutes of the Annual meeting - prompts me to call attention to the fact that the Examination Committee makes its report direct to the Board not to the Mission, the reason for its making

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Certain announcement to the Mission being that 1st year⁴ students are allowed a vote only in case of passing the examinations and 3rd year students upon passing the examinations become "Senior" missionaries with certain rights. It has always been our custom to consider the report on the Language examinations with grades &c - a sort of Confidential Communication to the Board.

Our requirements along the line of language study are high and the efficiency of our Mission in the use of the language is a cause of great gratification. The fact that some few fail to meet the standard in the given three years time need not indicate that they will fail to get the language if given a little more time. Some few require more time than the average.

I have only to suggest a personal letter from you to Mr. Barrett urging him to special persistent effort toward improvement in the language. All others I think are working under sufficient pressure.

Yours very sincerely

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